

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: AUGUST 2, 2021

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, August 2, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Robert B. Bray, Member Jack Dodd, County Attorney Alan Wilson, and County Auditor Jessica Secrease.

The meeting was called to order by Lieutenant Todd Prifogle and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and President Paul Wyman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the regular meeting held on July 19, 2021, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS & REPORTS:

HOWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY SUPERVISION:

Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding:

Howard County Community Supervision Director Dustin DeLong presented the Memorandum of Understanding between Howard County, of the State of Indiana and Avertest, LLC d/b/a Averhealth. The Memorandum of Understanding was approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

County Bridge Inspection RFP Submission:

Howard County Highway Engineer Amber Tolle submitted seven letters of interest for the County Bridge Inspection RFP Submission. The companies that submitted letters of interest were McClain & Co, Inc, USI Consultants, VS Engineering, Beam Longest & Neff (BLM), Clark Dietz, HWC Engineering, and Butler, Fairman & Seufert, Inc. The letters of interest will be taken under advisement and reviewed before the Commissioners meeting on September 7, 2021, as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Subdivision (Case 6-CP-21):

Planning Commissioner Assistant Rhonda Hill submitted a new subdivision, Sullivan Farms Subdivision, located on a new lot at 3553 N. 500 W., Kokomo, Indiana. There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. Sullivan Farms Subdivision has one lot and was approved, and it was also approved at the drainage board meeting with no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve Subdivision Sullivan Farms Subdivision located at 3553 N. 500 W., Kokomo, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning (Case 9-CZ-21):

Planning Commissioner Assistant Rhonda Hill submitted Ordinance No. 2021-BCCO-30 for the rezoning of the property located at 3553 N. 500 W., Kokomo, Indiana from AG (Agricultural) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-BCCO-30 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROBERT J. KINSEY YOUTH CENTER:

Heat Trace System:

Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center Director Jeff Lipinski presented that a new heat trace system for the guttering needs installed at the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center with the cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. Mr. Lipinski would like to pay \$12,000.00. Maintenance Superintendent Bill Stonestreet will pay a total of \$3,000.00 from the LIT fund. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve the installation of the heat trace system at Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center under the condition of the cost not exceeding \$15,000.00. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT:

Heat Trace System for Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center:

Maintenance Superintendent Bill Stonestreet presented that the heat trace system for the guttering needs installed at the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center with the cost not to exceed \$15,000.00. Mr. Lipinski Director of the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center has agreed to pay \$12,000.00. Mr. Stonestreet stated he would like to pay the remaining \$3,000.00 from the LIT fund. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve to install the heater trace system at Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center under the condition of the cost not exceeding \$15,000.00. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Tracer Summit Upgrade:

Maintenance Superintendent Bill Stonestreet also presented the tracer summit additional upgrade for the Courthouse which will cost \$14,420.00. Mr. Stonestreet would like to pay for this out of the Cumulative Capital Development fund under the Building Upgrades account in the amount of \$14,420.00. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve the installation for the tracer summit additional upgrade for the Courthouse in the amount of \$14,420.00. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on July 30, 2021, in the amount of \$864,921.12 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims for payment on August 2, 2021, in the amount of \$1,076,706.92 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
3. **Ratify Claims:** Commissioner Wyman presented a claim for Clarion Events, Inc. in the amount of \$135.00 for ratification. A motion was made by Commissioner Dodd to ratify the claim for Clarion Events, Inc. in the amount of \$135.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

Howard County Board of Commissioners President Paul Wyman submitted a contract with the company Nuance, Inc. This consulting firm specializes in broadband, the amount for this contract is to not exceed \$10,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Bray to review the contract as presented with final approval from the County Attorney Alan Wilson. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m. on a motion
made by Commissioner Dodd. The motion was seconded by
Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.*

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

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